## Claims

## WHAT IS CLAIMED, IS

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 Method for processing multimedia data including the steps of

providing at least one selected essence data, wherein essence data represents information being directly perceptible by a user,

characterized by

providing a metadata template to be used to form at least a first metadata,

providing a list of links to a plurality of second essence data and/or a list of a plurality of second meta data and

forming said at least first metadata on the basis of said at least one selected essence data and said list of links and/or said list of second metadata by applying said metadata template.

 Method according to claim 1, wherein second metadata linked with said at least one selected essence data is used for forming said first metadata.

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3. Method according to claim 1, wherein said at least first metadata is formed by taking over said at least one selected essence data into a MD-essence space of said metadata template.

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 Method according to claim 1, wherein said at least first metadata is formed by adding one or more MD-links of said second metadata into a MD-link space of said metadata-template.

- 5. Method according to claim 1, wherein third metadata and/or third essence data linked with MD-links of said second metadata are used for forming said MD-essence and/or MD-links of said first metadata.
- 6. Method according to claim 1, wherein the step of forming said at least first metadata is performed by a graphic user interface.
  - 7. Device for processing multimedia data including first storing means for providing at least one selected essence data, wherein essence data represents information being directly perceptible by a user,

characterized by

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second storing means for providing a metadata-template to be used to form at least a first metadata,

third storing means for providing a list of links to a plurality of second essence data and/or a list of a plurality of second metadata and

processing means connected to said first, second and third storing means for forming said at least first metadata on the basis of said at least one selected essence data and said list of links and/or said list of second metadata by applying said metadata-template.

8. Device according to claim 7, which is connectable to fourth storing means for storing second metadata linked with said at least one selected essence data, wherein said second metadata are usable for forming said first

metadata.

- 9. Device according to claim 7, wherein said at least first metadata is formable by taking over said at least one selected essence data into a metadata essence space of said metadata-template by said processing means.
- 10. Device according to one claim 7, wherein said at least first metadata is formable by adding one or more MD-links of said second metadata into a MD-link space of that metadata-template by said processing means.
- 11. Device according to claim 7, which includes fifth storing means connected to said processig means for storing third metadata and/or third essence data linked with MD-links of said second metadata, wherein said third metadata and/or said third essence data are usable for forming said MD-essence and/or said MD-links of said first metadata.

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12. Device according to claim 7, further including a graphic user interface connected to said processing means for forming said at least first metadata.